

Last year, it was stated that this would be provided for in the new Police Regulation.

*Reply of Government.*—The Police Regulation, as stated last year, provides for the prevention of and punishment for gambling.

SUBJECT No. 10.

Abolition of night-watch duty in Village Unions.

Mr. Thimmasetty, Gubbi Taluk.

*Summary of discussion.*—In Subject No. 103 of 1904 it was represented that the system of night-watch had been introduced into Unions, after the abolition of Municipalities in those places. In Government Order No. 2525-6—L. F. 267 of '93, dated 25th May 1904, it has been clearly observed that the introduction of the night-watch is new to such Unions and that the system was not in force when they were Minor Municipalities. Orders are prayed for the abolition of night-watch in Unions.

NOTE:—Mr. Hutcheeregowda opposed the abolition.

*Reply of Government.*—Under Rule 31 A of the Village Police Rules of 1872, the system of night-watch is obligatory in all villages, whatsoever. In 1890, however, the system was abolished as regards Municipal Towns which were to entertain any additional police establishment necessary. When some of these places ceased to be Municipalities, and became Unions, they came again under the general rule requiring the inhabitants to keep watch by turns. Strictly speaking, therefore, there has been no fresh introduction of the system in Unions as represented but only a reversion to the general rule, which cannot now be altered.

SUBJECT No. 11.

Mines Regulation.

Messrs. M. S. Ramachar, C. B. Gopal Rao (Kolar Municipality); Balvant Rao, Arsikere Taluk; and C. H. Richards (Kolar Gold Fields Mining Board).

*Summary of discussion.*—(1) The proposed extension of the Mines Regulation beyond the Mining area is dangerous. Therefore it is prayed that the provision of Section 8 of the Regulation may not be extended to the whole of Mysore.

(2) There is urgent necessity for amendment of the Mysore Mining Rules on the lines proposed in the Board's recent representations to Government through the Secretary to the Geological Department.

*Reply of Government.*—There is no present intention of increasing the mining area of the Kolar Gold Field.

SUBJECT No. 12.

Introduction of the Weights and Measures Regulation.

Messrs. Chikkaguruvareddi, Bangalore; D. Srikantha Rao of Devanahalli; Chik Ramanna, Byregowda, Kolar Taluk; S. Ranganaika, Tumkur Taluk; Hutcheeregowda, Gubbi Taluk; B. Thimmegowda, Tumkur Taluk; Madappa, Jahgirdar, Mysore; Lingegowda, Patel, Mysore; Venkatachar, Mandya Taluk; Nadig Panduranga, Kumsi Sub-Taluk; Krishnappa, Shikarpur Taluk, and Venkatachar, Shikarpur Municipality.

*Summary of discussion.* Uniform weights and measures may be prescribed by law for the whole Province.

*Reply of Government.*—The draft rules are now before Government and will be dealt with promptly.